

# THE BRETON BOOSTER

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**Need A Holiday – Let's Go To Mexico with our Arm Chair Travel Kit** – Call into our office or email us at [fcss@breton.ca](mailto:fcss@breton.ca) to claim your Arm Chair Travel Kit. These kits are filled with instructions and supplies for you and your family to experience Mexico. In each kit you will find a cultural experience designed to take you on a trip without ever leaving your living room. Experience the sights, sounds, smells and tastes of Mexico. Crank up the heat, find your summer clothes and enjoy a winter getaway.

**Wintertime Blues** – We have received lots of wonderful paragraphs about our communities. We still have some prizes to give away if you would like to participate write a paragraph of what you like about where you live – Village of Breton or Brazeau County. Submit your paragraph and we will reward you with a new board game or puzzle. Submissions can be made by email – [fcss@breton.ca](mailto:fcss@breton.ca), Fax – 780-696-3590 or dropped off at our office at 4916-50 Avenue in the Village of Breton Office. Limited to one per household. Please list your top three choices of games/puzzles with your application. Choices can be found in our ad in the Booster or on our Facebook page – Breton and Area FCSS. Submissions are being accepted now. We have had some wonderful applications already submitted. Let us know what you love about the community you live in!

**The Adult Exercise Program is returning at the Breton Golden Age Club.** This class runs from 10:30 – 11:30 am on Tuesday mornings. Equipment is provided. This class will focus on toning, balance, increased mobility, strength gains, and increased flexibility. Participants will be able to either do the exercise standing or sitting, whichever their ability will allow. This program is facilitated by Cassie Kreil a certified instructor. Participants will be asked to pay a small fee of \$1/class. Join today

and start to get fit with friends. This is a drop in group so you are welcome to start attending at any time throughout the year. COVID-19 Protocols will be in place. Participants will be asked to use sanitizer upon entering the building and social distancing will be adhered to.

**Check out this great resource for Dads and Parenting. DADS ARE CRITICAL**

Dads are a major part of many families, but don't always have the tools to complete parenting programs. Why Family Man works – The team at Movember use evidence-based strategies. Getting ready for bed shouldn't always end in tears. We've tested our recommendations with parents to understand what really works, especially for children 2 to 8 with minor to severe behavior issues. The tools have also been shown to work for children with ADHD and autism. With years of research under our belt, the evidence shows that many children can improve their behavior with the right care. We'd like to see this change, so we created Family Man with dads in mind. A happier, healthier family is our goal. For more information <https://familyman.movember.com/about>

**Community Easter Egg Hunt** – Friday April 2, 2021 - The Breton Agriculture Society and Breton and Area FCSS will be hosting a Community Easter Egg Hunt (within AHS COVID-19 guidelines). We are excited to offer this event to community members of all ages. Save the date and watch for further details. If you would like to be involved, contact Bonnie or Wendy at ATB or Deanne at Breton FCSS. Ways that you can help:

Donate items or make a monetary donation for additional prizes for the kids to find  
Assistance with egg filling  
Assistance on the day of the event

**For more information on these and additional programs and resources, please contact the Breton and Area FCSS Office at 780-696-3636 or email [fcss@breton.ca](mailto:fcss@breton.ca)**

More Resources inside

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## William "Bill" Leslie Marks

December 13, 1957 – February 28, 2021

We regret to announce the passing of William Leslie Marks on the morning of Sunday, February 28, 2021 at the age of 63 years.

For the majority of his life, Bill drove truck and worked as a consultant in the Drayton Valley area as a consultant in the oil and gas industry. From early on, Bill loved everything that allowed him to be outdoors and take in nature's beauty, especially dropping a line in hopes for a great catch; if Bill took any time off from work, it was to take part in the Buck Lake Fish Derby. Upon retirement, Bill found it difficult to sit still. He could regularly be found at Tim Horton's visiting with friends and sharing his great sense of humour. With a huge heart and a bounty of love to share, his greatest love was for his family.

Bill will be missed tremendously and always loved by his children, Dallas Thompson, Holly Thompson (John Speight) and Sheldon Thompson; grandchildren, Jordyn Wurban, Shaelynn Thompson and Alexis Dirksen; father, Charles Marks; sisters, Teresa Bogart (Raymond) and Mary Jane Marks (Dwight); nieces and nephews, Rebecca, Gordie, Krista, Jenness, David, Clinton and Melissa; very special friends, Bobby and Linda Williams, as well as by numerous extended family and friends.

Bill was predeceased by his mother, Elsie Marks and brother, Raymond Marks.

Due to current Covid-19 restrictions, a gathering to honour Bill's life will be held at a later date. As an expression of gratitude to the Doctors, nurses and the entire team at Drayton Valley Hospital and Care Centre's Dialysis Unit for the amazing care provided to Bill, his family would appreciate memorial donations in his name may be made directly to Drayton Valley Health Foundation – Dialysis Unit.

Condolences may be sent to [www.affinityfuneralservice.ca](http://www.affinityfuneralservice.ca)  
Arrangements in care of Joelle Valliere at:



Affinity Funeral Service  
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# I AM

Even though you can't see me  
Know that I am there  
I am always all around you  
You can feel me in the air  
Know that I am there for you  
Every step of your way  
Holding on to your hand  
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**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST BRANCH:** General meeting for March has been cancelled, Regular weekly BINGO's are still on hold and Socials held the end of each month are also ON HOLD until the restrictions have been lifted. In the meantime, stay safe, wear that mask and give me a call if you have any questions. Marion 780-935-6281

### PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

**Breton Golden Age Club: Cards (Whist)** Mondays at 1 pm. \$3. **Floor Curling** on Tuesdays at 1 pm \$3. **Crib** Saturdays at 12:30 pm starting Oct. 17th. Minimal fee. Come join the fun! COVID protocols in place. Masks are optional. Until further notice the Breton Golden Age Club is NOT available for rent. For additional info you can contact Pat Monteith at 780.696.6557 or clwaymon@telus.net

**Winfield Community Library is open \*Please note we have new hours as of Sept. 6th\*** Wednesday nights 5 - 8 pm Saturdays 10- 2 pm. Restrictions are in place. No public access to the school, not even the bathrooms. Please call 780-682-2498 for more info.

**Thorsby Bingo has been cancelled (due to COVID-19) until further notice.**

### MARKETS / THRIFT SHOPS (NON PROFIT)

**Treasures Thrift Shop -IS NOW OPEN!** (With restrictions) Please see signs at the store for everyone's safety. Wednesdays from 10 am - 4 pm. Donations will only be accepted during store hours, please ensure your donations are clean. 5112 - 53 Street Warburg.

**Thorsby Senior's Thrift Store is OPEN again** - ALL COVID-19 regulations apply. Hours of operation: 10 am - 3 pm Thursdays and Fridays. **PLEASE NOTE:** We will only accept donations during store hours. We do not accept mattresses, car seats, strollers, cribs, or furniture. All donations MUST BE CLEAN AND RE-SELLABLE. Thank You!

### COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

**Breton & Area FCSS** (Family & Community Support Services) Please contact Deanne at 780-696-3636 or email fcss@breton.ca

**Breton Food Bank** - Call 780-696-3669 by Thursday at noon to request a hamper. Please leave a message and a volunteer will contact you.

**Meals on Wheels** - Are you interested in receiving a hot nutritious meal? Please contact Deanne at 780-696-3636

**Bylaw Enforcement Officer and Animal Control Officer** - Doris McAllister 780-719-6447.

**Does drinking affect your personal life in any way?** Have friends or family expressed concerns towards your drinking habits? Have you ever tried to quit drinking, but could not manage to do so? AA can help! 5203 -54th Avenue Thorsby New Life Christian Church (every) Monday 8:00 pm 780-270-7903

### WORSHIP

**Faith Covenant Church** - 4712 53rd Avenue Breton, Alberta T0C 0P0 office.faithcovenantchurch@gmail.com 780.696.3669

**Community United Church** - 5112 - 53 St., Warburg. Join us for Sunday morning worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 10:30 AM. For information please phone the church office 780-848-2227.

**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church Thorsby** Mass Every Sunday 9:00 am, Father Arun Rodrigues. For more information call 780-987-2858 or visit www.olvthorsby.wordpress.com.

**St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Thorsby is holding in-Church Worship every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Following COVID protocols.** Our weekly worship with Pastor Ron can still be found on You Tube.

**Alder Flats Community Bible Church** - 780-388-0018, Pastor Samuel Hayford - 780-388-3926.

**West of the 5th Wranglers 4H Club  
will be doing a door to door bottle drive!**

**March 18th from 4 pm - 9 pm**

**in the following communities;  
Breton, Winfield, Alder Flats,  
Buck Lake and Bluffton.**

**All bottle donations are appreciated!**

**To arrange a specific pickup  
or to find the drop off location in your area  
please contact Heather at 780.621.4653.**



**Tuesday Mornings**

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## WORSHIP

Reg. Sunday Service & School - 11:00 am. Welcome to all!

**Warburg Alliance Church is open.** 11 a.m. worship service. For more information please phone 780-848-7577, check out our Facebook page or email us warburgalliance@gmail.com.

**Warburg Seventh Day Adventist Church, Sat.** Sabbath School 10 am, Main Service 11:30 am, Pastor Jason Williams 780-848-2271

## COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS

**Village of Breton Council Meetings** - 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Carolyn Strand Civic Centre.

**Breton and District Historical Society** Monthly Board meetings are held the 4th Monday of the Month at 7 PM at the Breton Museum. The Board meets January- June and September- November. New members welcomed. To confirm meeting dates and times Ph. 780 898 1155 and for more information go to www.bretonmuseum.ca

**Breton Golden Age Club:** Regular Monthly Meetings on the first Monday of the month at 11 am. Come see what we are up to!

**The Breton Agricultural Society** meets every second Thursday of the month (except July and August) at 7 pm at the Breton Community Center. Everyone is welcome to attend!

**Breton Royal Purple meetings are CHANGING starting in January 2021** to the third Thursday of the month (except in the months of July and August) at 7:30 p.m.

**Breton Elks** meetings are at 7:30 pm every third Thursday of the month at the Breton Community Hall, except for July & August.

**Breton Municipal Library Board Meetings** are held the third Wednesday of the month except July and August and are open to the public. Meetings are at 7 PM in the Library.

**The Breton Book Club has online Facebook Meetings:** Second Wednesday of each month all day. All readers are welcome to join the conversation! Look for us at "Breton Book Club".

**Buck Creek Community Assn. Meetings** are held at the Buck Creek Hall the first Wednesday of every

month at 8 PM. Jam Dance and Cards Night the first Friday of every month.

**Funnell Community Hall** - No Meetings until further notice.

**Thorsby & District Fish & Game Regular Meetings** are held on the third Monday of each month @ 7:00 pm at Warburg Village Office Basement (entrance through the back). Please join us. Contact Bruce at 780-848-2242 for more information.

**Winfield & District Historical Society** meets at 7pm on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Winfield Community Hall Meeting Room. New members always welcome!

## FACILITY RENTALS

**Breton Community Center-** To rent the community center please visit our website www.bretonagsociety.com, call 780-696-3561 and leave a message or email us at bretonagsociety@gmail.com

**Winfield Legion** is available to rent. Rental Inquiries - Gordon 780-542-1243

**Ashland Dam Park** - For reservations call Bruce @ (780) 898-9636.

**Calmar and District Senior Citizens Club** 4916 - 50 Ave Calmar: **hall rentals**, please contact Marg Roskewich 780-985-3221. Rental Rates: 4 hr or less \$100 and more than 4 hrs \$200.00

**Funnell Community Hall** - For hall rental or more info contact Kelsey at 709.638.3689.

**Genesee Community Hall** - Rentals call Joanne Liba at 780-940-7229.

**Royal Canadian Legion #246 MULHURST** Hall Rental Call: Marie @ 780-361-7350

**Sunnybrook Community Hall Rentals:** Contact Name: Mikayla, Phone Number: 306-307-2599, Email Address: sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com

**Warburg Cultural Centre** - For rentals of facility, wine glasses and/or tablecloths, phone Linda McLaughlin at 780.848.2916. Meetings held quarterly.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

An Open Letter to Jason Kenney,  
Recently when asked about your government's planned cuts you replied, "Money does not grow on trees. ... We have to protect the health of the province's finances."

I was flabbergasted hearing this from a premier who lost \$1.3 Billion gambling on a failed pipeline, spent \$12 million to dismantle the Super Lab (which would have been useful during the pandemic) and \$1.5 million to cancel oil by rail contracts. Corporate Tax Cuts that benefit corporations will amount to \$4.7 billion in lost revenue and the embarrassing so-called 'war room' has a budget of \$30 million.

I am outraged that your cabinet members are the highest paid in Canada yet your government intends to cut workers' wages to 'bring them in line with comparable wages in other provinces'. Why are your cabinet members the highest paid in Canada and why do they each have two paid personal staff? Alberta's health minister, Tyler Shandro, makes \$181,404 more than any other Canadian health minister.

You stacked a plethora of paid panels with individuals who stand to benefit from your greedy policies and you called that 'consulting'! I call it "using my tax dollars to reward cronies" and 'pretending to be democratic'. It is obvious that your cuts have nothing to do with austerity but are about your hidden agenda, the one you did not campaign on. It includes decimating our public health and education systems in favour of American style privatization that will cost more and cater to the wealthy, dumbing down our post-secondary education system and breaking our unions in favour of big corporations who donated to your campaign.

Please don't use the pandemic as an excuse for your financial mismanagement of my tax dollars. Under your watch it had already ballooned pre-pandemic.

You have squandered Albertans' tax dollars as if they grew on trees. You must step down because you are not representing the best interest of Alberta and Albertans.

Carolyn Schoepp, Drayton Valley

All "Letters To The Editor" must be printed with the name of its author. Letters To The Editor are the opinions of those who wrote them, not necessarily those of Community 39 Enterprises.



## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 48th Annual General Meeting of the Buck Mountain Gas Co-op Ltd. will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 15th, 2021 at the Warburg Pioneer Recreation Centre 5435 – 50A Avenue, Warburg, Alberta.

Any member with an interest or desire to sit on the Board of Directors of the Buck Mountain Gas Co-op can call the office for more information at 780-848-2808 or toll free 1-800-265-5389.

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Community Easter Egg Hunt  
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**ALL FEES COVERED FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT  
BRETON FCSS AT 780.696.3636**

*The Virtual and In person Mental Health Wellness Support Program is supported by the Government of Canada's Emergency Community Support Fund and the Drayton Valley Community Foundation in partnership with Breton and Area FCSS*

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# Brazeau County News



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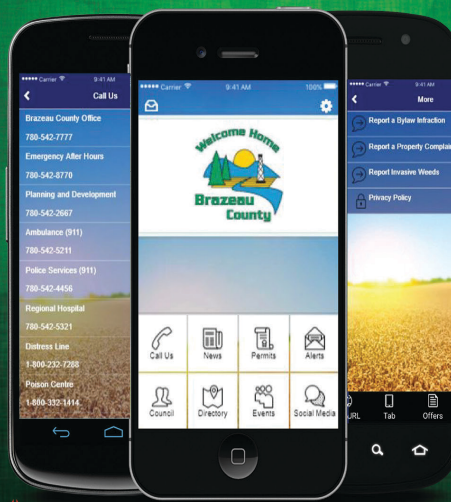
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## UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- March 18 | Agricultural Service Board meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- March 23 | Special Council Meeting | 1:00 p.m.
- March 31 | Pollinator Projects webinar | 10:00 a.m.
- April 1 | Alternative Land Use Services PAC meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- April 2 | Brazeau County Administration Building closed
- April 5 | Brazeau County Administration Building closed
- April 6 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- April 7 | Budget meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- April 8 | Budget meeting | 11:30 a.m.

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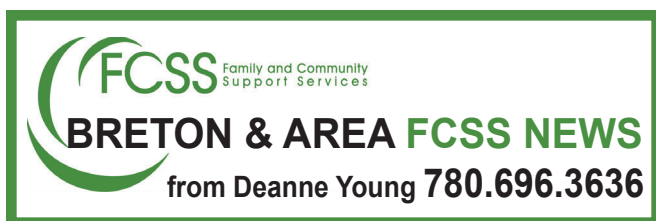


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· 3 person family	40,500
· 4 person family	43,500

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This service is FREE to those who qualify. If you require this service, please gather your information and bring it to the Village of Breton office Monday to Thursday between 8:30 – 4:00. Clients will be notified when your return is completed. The program will run from March 1 – April 30, 2021

We require the following information in order to complete your return:

Personal Information (Social Insurance Number, Birth date, Marital Status, Address)  
 Dependant's information – spouse/ children's names, birthdates.

All "T" Slips (T4's, T4A, OAS ect.)

All Forms, Schedules, and Labels you have received from Revenue Canada.

Receipts for any expenses such as medical, moving, tuition, sporting activities. Printouts from your pharmacist are available for those with numerous prescriptions.

Previous year's tax returns

**Counselling Subsidies – Fully paid subsidies until March 31.** Breton and Area FCSS is pleased to offer Counselling Subsidies.

A subsidy is available for individuals, couples and/or families who are struggling with common, everyday issues to access short-term preventative counselling services. The goal is to:

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- o Improve mood with anger management and emotional support;
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- o Improve parenting skills by focusing on attachment;
- o Reduce stress with life balance; and/or
- o Learn new skills and behaviors

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Counselling from Leduc. We know that in this current environment many may have additional stress and anxiety. We also know that transportation may be an added barrier. These sessions can be arranged to be in person in the Karunia offices in Leduc, over the phone in your own safe environment or virtually on your computer. To apply for the subsidy services, application forms are available through the Breton FCSS Office at 4916 50th Avenue or by contacting them at [fcss@breton.ca](mailto:fcss@breton.ca) or calling 780-696-3636. ALL APPLICATIONS ARE STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL. Breton and Area FCSS will be doing the intake of the applications. Counselling services are provided by Karunia Counselling by Registered Psychologists, Registered Provisional Psychologists, Canadian Certified Counsellors and Masters or PhD level student interns under the supervision of a qualified psychologist. All applications will be kept in strict confidence. This program is being made available through funding from the Government of Canada's Emergency Support Fund, the Drayton Valley Community Foundation and Breton and Area FCSS.

### Current Services and Programs Available

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# Roar of the Rings on Pigeon Lake

By Amissa Jablonski

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought out creativity in the most surprising ways. As fall trudged into winter, Grandview Beach (south side of Pigeon Lake, near Lakedell) resident Corey Kozack realized that there was a need in his community and he used his creativity to fill it.

Building skating rinks on Pigeon Lake is a long standing tradition for those living along its shores, but with the current situation keeping everyone a lot closer to home for the winter, Mr. Kozack realized that these rinks were leaving out a large segment of the community - seniors. Corey decided to remedy this situation and his solution was to build a curling rink on the lake. Not being a curler himself, Corey had a lot to learn about the process but with a little help from the internet and the community, he was able to create something special. He soon enlisted the help of friend and neighbour, Darcie Carey, to bring the vision to life.

Curlers know that ice is arguably the most important element of the sport. Quality ice for curling is even more important than that for skating or hockey and, fortunately, this year has been relatively successful for ice forming on the lake. Despite the superior conditions, Corey still regularly floods the sheet and heads out to refresh the pebbling on a routine basis to maintain a good surface.

The sheet truly has been a community effort with Crystal Springs resident Gloria Olson offering the use of a set of rocks for use by the players. Her rocks even include one signed by Alberta curling legend, Kevin Martin. Additionally, Loretta Wisenberger has made some homemade 'rocks' out of coloured water frozen in milk jugs for younger curlers to try their hand

at sliding out of the hack. Scoring sticks were made to ensure the competitive curlers can keep track of their progress. Originally straw bales were set out to offer a place to take a rest between ends, but thanks to a generous donation from Lakeside Custom Woodwork, wooden benches are now installed. Neighbours from the area take turns shoveling both the sheet of curling ice and the nearby skating rink, making this a real community project. There is also a firepit available for use at Grandview Park so people can make a day of their experience out on the lake.

The 150 foot by 15 foot sheet of ice can be booked by reaching out to Corey on Facebook or calling him at 780-868-1475, and he has people coming out well into March, provided the conditions hold. Prior to each booking, Mr. Kozack and Mr. Carey prepare the ice by spraying water to refresh the critical pebbles for a good game. They also sanitize all the rocks and set them out for use. At the completion of the booking, the rocks are again sanitized to comply with all COVID restrictions. Those using the ice are asked to observe the restrictions as well, and to make sure they are being respectful of the natural environment by taking out anything they bring in at the end of their time on the ice.

Corey has been very pleased with the response to his project. Users of the ice have ranged from teenagers to octogenarians and everyone in between. He has learned plenty over the course of this season and is already planning on making this an ongoing feature next to the Grandview skating rink, which he has also been involved with maintaining over the past several years. Mr. Kozack is a very community minded person. He is also involved in creating the Haunted Barn during Halloween and organizing the Sledz and Treadz Fundraising Rally taking place on February 27. He hopes that everyone gets a chance to try their hand on the roaring rings before they melt!

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## MLA REPORT

from The Office of MLA Mark Smith,  
Member of the Legislative Assembly  
for Drayton Valley - Devon

### Working Parents Benefit

Alberta's government is focused on protecting lives and livelihoods and that means being there for hard-working parents. Between now and March 31, eligible families can apply for the Working Parents Benefit, which will return \$108 million back into the pockets of Alberta families who use childcare or preschool.

The pandemic and the economic downturn have created significant stress for working parents, many of whom have continued to fuel Alberta's economy and provide essential services through extremely challenging circumstances. As a result, fewer families have used childcare this year. As a result, Children's Services is returning unused funds directly into the pockets of families who need it most through this new program.

The Working Parents Benefit is a one-time benefit of \$561 per child. Families who have a household income of up to \$100,000 and who have paid for three months of childcare between April 1, 2020 and Dec 31, 2020, including licensed or unlicensed daycares, day homes, out of school care or preschool, are eligible to apply.

This new benefit adds to supports that Alberta's government is providing to protect the lives and livelihoods of Albertans. It builds upon the recently announced Critical Worker Benefit, which is a \$1,200 payment for eligible front-line and essential workers, and the Enhanced COVID Business Benefit, which provides support for businesses that have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

To apply for the Working Parents Benefit, you must have a MyAlberta Digital ID. If you do not already have one, you can easily sign up for an account at [account.alberta.ca](http://account.alberta.ca). After you submit your application for the benefit, you will receive a confirmation e-mail within 24 hours. After your application is pro-

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Alberta's government is working to directly support parents and families who are facing additional stresses due to the pandemic and economic uncertainty. The Working Parents Benefit returns money directly into the pockets of Albertans to help assist them with financial pressures they may have faced throughout the past year.

Alberta's government is responding to the COVID-19 pandemic by protecting lives and livelihoods with precise measures to stop the spread of COVID-19, sustain small businesses and protect Alberta's healthcare system.

Mark Smith, MLA for Drayton Valley – Devon

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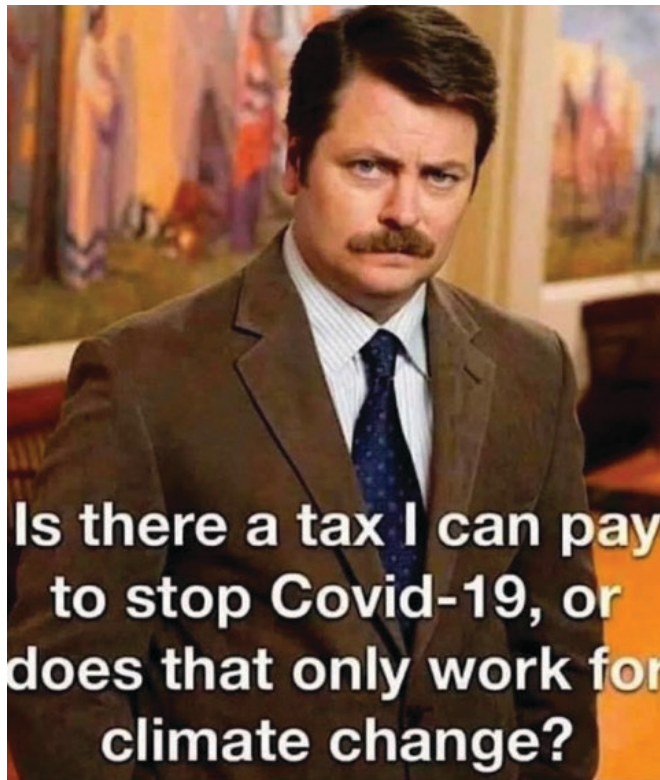
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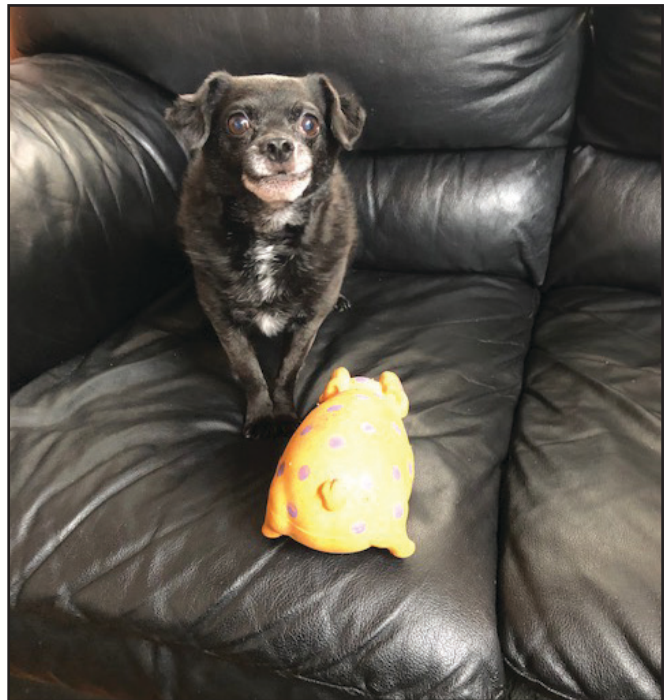
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LAKEFRONT - Walk across your lawn & step into your boat. 2 storey 3 bed 2 bath home. Amazing lake view. attached garage

**BUCK LAKE****\$309,000**

3 bedrm home across street from waters of Buck Lake. 100x150' lot, chain link fence, 24x24 garage, concrete floor, power.

**Village at PIGEON LAKE****\$560,000**

Striking 2 story home, 1.23 acres in Parkway Heights. only minutes from Pigeon Lake & several golf courses. The ideal place to live.

**WINFIELD****\$635,000**

80 acres, 2 storey 6 bed 4 bath home, wrap around deck, attach 2 car garage, 30x60 metal lined drive thru shop, 32x40 barn

**BRETON****\$199,000**

11.6 acs, Upgraded 1974 3 bed 1 bath home w/2 additions. Newer appliances. Heated garage, open front shed, chicken coop, shed.

**LEDUC****\$749,000**

70 Acre. 1.5 storey 6 bed, 2 bath home, 40x60 heated shop, 64x120 open front shelter, 2 older barns used in dairy operation.

**CARNWOOD****\$295,000**

48.9 acres, attractive yard with well kept 2 bed 1 bath home, shop/barn, corrals, machine shed, hay sheds, heated workshop.

**ALDER FLATS****\$240,000**

14.5 acres with creek.. 3 bed 1 bath 1.5 storey home. Quonset garage, small barn, greenhouse. Scenic mix of trees & open pasture

**WINFIELD****\$765,000**

301 acre ranch, 2 bedrm 1.5 storey cabin, open face pole machine shed, fenced/cross fenced. Open & treed pasture

**WINFIELD****50 ACRES****\$149,000**

50.41 ACRES, gently sloping open & treed pasture. Bordered by Hwy 20 on west & RR35 on east. Dugout. Winfield

**EVANSBURG****\$340,000**

157.97 ACRES High gently rolling land. Cultivated grain land w/small tree grove along north boundary. Approx 7± acres not worked up.

**WINFIELD****58 ACRES****\$225,000**

58 ACRES Incredible natural spring. Land gently slopes from south to north. Mostly open pasture. Along Hwy 20

**DRAYTON VALLEY****155 ACRES****\$700,000**

Nature's Haven- Towering spruce, mixed forest, rustic cabin, well, surrounded by miles of crown land. Fish pond.

**WARBURG****\$269,000**

20 acs, 1993 mfr home renovated last 2 years. New siding, windows, kitchen cabinets, Approx 17 acs forested w/trails

**WINFIELD****77 ACRES****\$225,000**

77 ACRES. Pasture, trees, stream (fed by natural spring on neighboring land) annual lease revenue. .

## BUCK LAKE BUSINESS PARK

Only 5 lots available  
1 - 1.12 acre  
urban commercial lots  
located off paved RR63  
just north of business area on  
Lakeshore Drive in Buck Lake.  
\$45,000 to \$49,000

**BRETON  
HOTEL**

- Tavern
- Liquor store
- 12 guest rooms
- 2 bedrm suite
- Attach garage for storage.
- Storage shed



Many upgrades & renos in past 20 years include exterior, hotel rooms, remodeling kitchen with new wiring and new plumbing.

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